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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations

FROM: David D. Gries
Director
Center for the Study of Intelligence

SUBJECT: Errors in Release of 1967
Inspector General's Report

REFERENCE: Your Memorandum, Same Subject,
Dated 30 December 1993

1. This memorandum is in response to your request for an explanation of why certain information contained in the Kennedy Assassinations records was released.

2. The 1967 IG report is part of the "sequestered" records that CIA provided to the House Assassinations Committee. As far as we can determine, the facts are as described below.

3. With one exception, it was our intention to protect the information in question to the extent permitted by the Kennedy Assassinations Records Act. It appears that in the final redaction phase three items were inadvertently left in the version that was sent to the National Archives. This version is the same as that reviewed by the DO officers assigned to us to conduct coordination of releases.

4. There are three specific types of information involved:

a. Staff officer's name

Nestor Sanchez's name was deleted from all but one page, where the last name only--which is a common one in Spanish--remained. It had been agreed with the DO several months earlier that Sanchez's name could be released in other JFK documents. (The officer is a well-known person, now retired, who has been publicly identified as formerly with CIA.)

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b. Names of two covert assets

One asset was a Cuban exile living in New York. We deleted his name on every page but one. The second asset was a sub-source of the first, whose name was deleted every place it appeared, with one exception. We deeply regret these two mistakes.

c. Reference to Rome

The reference appears in connection with a well-known former Agency officer--Bill Harvey. Following is the precise wording. "After Harvey-- was winding up his headquarters responsibilities in preparation for assignment to Rome, he wrote a memorandum."

The word "station" does not appear. The JFK Act does not permit protection of an assignment location if it is not explicit that a station or other permanent facility is identified. Harvey's assignment to that city was acknowledged in the open literature.

3. We regret release of the names of two covert assets. It may be that the rush to review more than 250,000 pages within a mandated deadline contributed to the problem. We are making every effort to ensure that the process of multiple review is as effective as possible and note that thus far, only a few mistakes have come to light.


David D. Gries

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